

# PROJECT FOR AUTO RACE UP THE AVENUE

Wild Dash of Iron Steeds for the G. A. R. Encampment.

## PRESIDENT TO GIVE PRIZES

Conference With Commissioner Macfarland on Plan—Would Bring Best Machines From All Over Country for the Parade—The Floral Display.

It is probable that a series of automobile races will be added to the already numerous features that will be provided for the entertainment of the visitors to the city on the occasion of the Grand Army encampment to be held in this city in October. President Roosevelt will be asked to lend encouragement to the project by presenting the prizes to the successful competitors.

The matter was discussed at great length this morning at a conference between Secretary Barry Bulkeley of the citizens' executive committee and Mr. R. S. Brown, who, it is believed, will be named as the secretary of the committee on automobile races and participation. Mr. Brown impressed upon Mr. Bulkeley the necessity of adding some feature that will assist in the bringing to this city of noted vehicles from out of the city. He has already the assurance that nearly all of the horseless vehicles in the city will be in line, the only troublesome feature so far being the matter of proper decoration for the carriages.

## Outside Owners Would Participate.

Taking the races as the basis, it is thought that nearly every owner of an automobile in the adjoining cities will bring his vehicle over and enter in the contest under the plan that will be adopted.

Mr. Brown will wait upon Commissioner Macfarland this afternoon to see if that official will lend encouragement to the proposition to close Pennsylvania Avenue from the Peace Monument to the Treasury building for an hour after the parade that is scheduled for Monday, October 6. Even running on but two months it is stated that the automobiles would make the run over the course in about ten minutes.

## Immediately After Parade.

Immediately after the parade it is suggested that the vehicles line up along the course and that the races start. By making the course from the Peace Monument to Thirteenth Street it would give the chauffeurs two blocks in which to slow up their vehicles before reaching the curve at the Treasury Department.

This course would be an ideal one, and the very idea of racing on Pennsylvania Avenue, with a prize to be presented by the President of the United States, would prove an attraction that few of the owners of great racing machines would be able to resist. Not only will practically all of the machines that took part in the recent contests at Larchmont be in line, it is thought, but other and even more pretentious autos.

## White House Elipse Suggested.

It was at first suggested that the racing might take place on the ellipse of the White Lot, but this location is discounted for many reasons. The entire space will be crowded with the reunion forces at the time, and a matter of far greater concern would be the danger of making the turns at high speed. On the straightaway presented by Pennsylvania Avenue all of these objections would be overcome, and it would mean the closing of the great thoroughfare for not more than an hour longer than would be required for the main parade.

## All Classes of Autos.

The parade itself will probably be for the three classes of horseless vehicles—electric, gasoline, and steam—each class constituting a division by itself. With the immense number of novel machines that can be brought together by the means at the disposal of the committee, it is confidently believed that the greatest horseless vehicle exhibit in the history of the country will be secured and that the decorations will be equal to the occasion. A number of the local florists have already been approached on the subject, and have promised to encourage the great automobile floral display in every way in their power.

## Ten Thousand Circulars Mailed.

Ten thousand copies of the circular of information that was approved by General Torrance during the recent visit to the city were today expressed to Adjutant General Towler, at Grand Army Headquarters in Minneapolis. These circulars will be sent throughout the country through the official circles of the Grand Army to every post in the country.

The circular is issued over the signature of Chairman Brainerd H. Warner, of the citizens' executive committee, and is most complete in all matters pertaining to the arrangements for the coming encampment. The circular was printed in full in The Times about a week ago.

Secretary Barry Bulkeley returned to the office this morning much refreshed.

Bay Ridge, the Queen Resort of the Chesapeake Bay.

Salt water Bathing, Orchestra and Dancing, Boating, Fishing and Crabbing. Eminent adapted for church and organization excursions. Good hotel accommodations, specially attractive for Washington folks for over Sunday outings. Trains leave B. & O. R. Station 9:30 a. m. and 4:30 p. m. week days; 9:30 a. m. and 1:45 p. m. Sundays.

New N. C. Pine Flooring, \$1.45 per 100 sq. ft. Libbey & Co. Phone E. 812.

# SOLDIER SUICIDE TO BE BURIED AT ARLINGTON

Telegram Sent to Family of Insane Man.

## NO ANSWER YET RECEIVED

Bereft of Reason by Hardships and Exposure of Philippine Service—Melancholia Acute With Suicidal Tendency Shown Since Incarceration.

The remains of John Calhoun, the insane soldier who ended his life in a room at St. Elizabeth's Insane Asylum yesterday afternoon by hanging himself to the iron bars of his window with a sheet, probably will be given a soldier's burial in Arlington. The body was turned over to an undertaker this morning before which, however, a telegram was sent to his relatives in Arkansas, asking what they wished the asylum authorities to do with the remains. No answer has yet been received and the remains may possibly be interred in a vault in the National Cemetery until the dead soldier's family are heard from.

## Driven Insane in Philippines.

Calhoun was twenty-nine years of age and saw active service in the Philippine Islands, where he was bereft of his reason because of continued exposure. He was brought to this city and confined in the asylum. For nearly two weeks past the unfortunate man had suffered with acute melancholia, showing a suicidal tendency. Because of this the asylum authorities watched him closely and every opportunity was taken to destroy himself was prevented.

About 12 o'clock yesterday afternoon Calhoun appeared to be in his usual humor and gave no indication of a desire to attempt self-destruction. One of the guards returned to the room about twenty minutes past 1 o'clock and found the soldier hanging to the window grating by a sheet which he had wound around his neck. Death was caused by strangulation. Every effort was made to revive him but without success.

## Stepped on Match, Set House Afire.

An alarm was turned in shortly after 10 o'clock this morning from box 514 for a fire in a house at 701 Virginia Avenue southeast, occupied by Eldyn Holmes. The blaze was caused by Mrs. Holmes stepping on a match, setting it off and igniting some clothing. The firemen quickly extinguished the flames. The house was but little damaged.

All one width Flooring, \$1.45 per 100 sq. ft., at 6th and New York ave. n. w.

# MATTERS OF INTEREST IN DISTRICT AFFAIRS

A refund of \$1.50 on amount paid for water rent paid by Weaver Bros. on premises 1829 Nineteenth Street northwest, has been granted by the Commissioners on the ground that for part of the fiscal year no horse was kept in the premises as charged for in the bill.

Permission has been granted Mrs. Charles Sutherland to display signs at the intersection of Seventeenth and De Sales Streets northwest, and midway of De Sales Street and Connecticut Avenue, requesting drivers to avoid unnecessary noise on account of the illness of a member of Mrs. Sutherland's family.

The request of Thomas Taylor and Robert Low to pay arrears of taxes against certain property of theirs, without penalty and interest will be denied by the Commissioners. The Assessor has reported on the application that no certificate of taxes issued against this property and he sees no reason why the concession should be made.

George Y. Worthington, attorney for Mrs. Charles M. Matthews, has submitted an amendment to the offer previously made to sell to the District a site for the proposed Business High School, now offering a corner lot with a frontage of 215 feet on Fifteenth Street and 200 feet on T Street northwest, for \$75,000.

A refund of \$12.32 will be granted to C. Clifton James, on account of water rent against premises 637 Maryland Avenue northeast, 523 Second Street southwest, and 141 G Street southeast, being duplicate payments of the rents in the three cases.

On the recommendation of the Assessor Mr. Henry Kengia will be permitted to pay arrears of taxes for the years 1882 to 1888 inclusive against certain property owned by him in Mount Pleasant.

# SUIT OVER VALUABLE GEORGETOWN PROPERTY

Friendly Proceedings to Determine the Ownership of Weston and Other Tracts.

A bill in equity has been filed the object of which is to obtain the appointment of trustees in the place of the late John W. Thompson in respect of the pieces and parcels of land called "Weston," "Pretty Prospect," "Greenwood," "Woodley," and the property of the "Massachusetts Avenue Syndicate." The property referred to, or much of it, was by sundry conveyances of record vested in John W. Thompson and by him held in trust for the various beneficiaries and owners of equitable interests and shares therein.

The bill filed also asks the court to construe the meaning of the provision of a certain declaration of trust on the property and to declare what are the respective interests of those who claim to be its equitable owners.

John W. Pilling and Elizabeth C. Pilling are named as the complainants. Forty-three defendants are named. The property involved in the proceeding lies mostly west of Rock Creek and north of Georgetown.

# NO POSITIVE EVIDENCE OF SUICIDE OF HOLMAN

No Witnesses to Young Naval Officer's Drowning.

Captain Speyer's Telegram Announcing Death on Celtic Criticized Because of His Volunteered Opinion.

Ensign F. R. Holman, who was lost at sea on the night of August 13, while on duty on the supply ship Celtic, was a son of Dr. C. H. Holman, of 402 West 145th Street, New York. There is no positive evidence that the young officer committed suicide.

Captain Speyer says in his telegraphic report to the Navy Department from Sydney, New South Wales, that there were no witnesses of the drowning. He adds, however, that, owing to recent illness, Ensign Holman probably committed suicide. The message from Captain Speyer has been telegraphed to Dr. Holman in New York, and contains all the information received by the Department. A mail report of the affair will be sent at once by Captain Speyer, but will hardly reach Washington for a couple of months.

There is some criticism of Captain Speyer in volunteering the opinion that Holman committed suicide, in view of his statement that no one saw him when he disappeared over the side of the ship. Ensign Holman was born in Denver, and appointed to the Naval Academy in 1893 from Iowa. He served on the Texas during the war with Spain and was later at the torpedo station at Newport. He was named for promotion to lieutenant junior grade July 1 last and examined well on the Asiatic station but the record has not yet reached the Navy Department.

The Celtic is a supply ship belonging to the Asiatic squadron.

## Crowds Attend Street Services.

The special service at the fountain, Seventh Street and Pennsylvania Avenue, was attended by a large crowd. Chapin Willard made the opening address, which was well received. The leader cordially invited him to again address the street congregations of Sunday next at 3:30. All invited.

## Bitten by Mad Dog.

Elizabeth Coleman, colored twenty-two years of age, was attacked by a dog while walking along Sherman Avenue last night and bitten on the hip. She was removed to her home, 730 Marshall Street, where Dr. Shedd cauterized her wounds.

## Boy Cured of Colic After Physician's Treatment Had Failed.

My boy, when four years old, was taken with colic and cramps in his stomach. I sent for the doctor and he injected morphine, but the child kept getting worse. I then gave him half a teaspoonful of Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy, and in half an hour he was sleeping and soon recovered.—F. L. Wilkins, Shell Lake, Wis. Mr. Wilkins is bookkeeper for the Shell Lake Lumber Co. For sale by Henry Evans, wholesale and retail, 222 F Street, and all druggists.

# SMOKESTACK WILL TOPPLE ON THURSDAY

Date Set for Dynamiting the Old Chimney.

The destruction of the old smokestack on the site of the new District building at the corner of Fourteenth Street and Pennsylvania Avenue northwest is progressing rapidly, and Mr. Harry O. Brown, who has the contract for the demolition of the structure, says that enough of the bricks will have been removed by Thursday so that the charge of dynamite which is to bring the main part of the chimney to earth may be fired off Thursday afternoon.

The bricks which are being removed from the top by hand are lowered to the earth by means of tubs. About thirty feet of the chimney will be taken down in this way before the principal part of it is demolished with dynamite.

## WEATHER INDICATIONS.

Fair tonight and Tuesday; light to fresh northeasterly winds.

CONDITION OF THE WATER. Temperature and condition of the water at 8 a. m.: Great Falls—Temperature, 75; condition 36. Dalecarlia reservoir—Temperature, —; condition at north connection; no telephone connection; wires broken.

THE SUN AND THE MOON. Sun rises, 5:21 a. m.; Sun sets, 6:42 p. m.; Moon rises, 10:35 p. m.; Moon sets, 1:30 a. m.

TIDE TABLE. Low tide, 6:31 a. m. and 6:48 p. m.; High tide, 12:14 p. m. and 12:14 a. m.

## STREET LIGHTING.

Lamps lit today, 7:17 p. m.; Lamps out tomorrow, 4:32 a. m.

## AMUSEMENTS.

Academy of Music—"The Span of Life," evening.

Kernan's—Topay Turvey Buquesquers, afternoon and evening.

Baseball, American League Park—Spartans vs. Detroit, 2:30 and 4:30 p. m.

EXCURSIONS. Steamer Macalester, for Marshall Hall at 10 a. m.; 2:30 and 6:30 p. m.

Norfolk and Washington line for Fort Monroe and Norfolk at 5:30 p. m.

Trains leave Pennsylvania Avenue and Thirteen-and-a-half Street for Alexandria and Arlington every half hour.

Mount Vernon hourly, 10 a. m. to 3 p. m.

Chesapeake Beach—See schedules under "Railroads and Steamboats" for time.

Colonial Beach—Steamer T. V. Arrow-smith. See schedule under excursions for time.

Bay Ridge—Trains leave B. & O. station at 9:10 a. m. and 4:30 p. m. week days; 9:10 a. m. and 4:15 p. m. Sundays.

Long length Flooring, \$1.45 per 100 sq. ft., by Frank Libbey & Co.

# BRICK CONTRACTORS GET TIME EXTENSION

American Pipe Sewer Company Must Complete Work by September 30.

The American Pipe Sewer Company, of Pittsburgh, Pa., recently requested further extension of sixty days for the completion of their contract for furnishing vitrified paving blocks.

On recommendation of the Superintendent of Property the company will be allowed until September 30 to complete their contract, and if the amount of block is not delivered on that date the company will be treated as a failing contractor, and any balance of material due the District will be purchased in the open market, and any excess of cost will be deducted from the company's deposit as provided in the contract.

## Condition of John Dye Improved.

The condition of John Dye, of 719 H Street southwest, who was painfully injured yesterday while attempting to board a train, was reported this morning as being considerably improved. He is confined in Providence Hospital and is receiving the best of medical treatment.

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Fine Carpet Sweeper of best make. Buy one now for your fall housecleaning. Only \$1.48.



16-in. Square Oak Table; well made; with lower shelf 39c.

## Housefurnishings.

China and Glass wares are the center of attractions. Prices are made for big lots as well as small purchases.

Water Sets; consisting of pitcher, 6 glasses, and fancy tray; special price 29c.

Water Bottles; full size; clear and bright; special price, 15c each.

Table Tumblers; clear crystal; plain and fluted bottoms, per dozen 29c.

Water Sets; in colors of green and blue; pitcher, 6 glasses, 69c and fancy tray, complete, 29c.

Perfection Water Bottles; easily cleaned, because they can be taken apart, special price, 29c.

Linen-lined Canvas-covered Trunks; two trays, and hat box; heavy iron trimmings; sheet-iron bottom; Excelsior lock; reduced from \$6.75 to \$5.50.

Dress Trunks; covered with heavy brown canvas; lined throughout with linen; two trays; extra strap attachment; reduced from \$10.75 to \$8.50.

Steamer Trunks; covered with heavy canvas; lined with linen; brass trimmings; leather bound; Excelsior lock; finished with two extra straps; reduced from \$10 and \$12 to \$8.50.

The balance of our entire line of fine Steamer Trunks; regulation size; made of the very best material; trunks which sold up to \$15—reduced to \$10.00.

Third floor—Upholstery Department.

White China. Individual Butters, 2c kind, 1c special price. 5-inch and 6-inch White China 50c. Meat Platters, each, 10c. White China Hall and Table Pitchers, special price, 10c. White China Tea Pots; family size, special price, 23c. White China Butter Dishes; new patterns; special price, 23c. 8-inch White China Covered Dishes; special price, 39c. White China Coffee or Milk Mugs; special price, 6c.

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